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Dear Joe:

Thank you for yours of the 17th. I appreciate the interest and trouble you have taken in considering the consultantship arrangement, and your perspective in suggesting a possible basis for it.

Unfortunately, I do not see where I can find the time to make another trip away from Madison in the near future. Is there any way that I could be of service to you before arranging such a trip?

Quite aside from the consulting fees, I would be quite interested in learning myself how microbial genetics could be put to more use in industrial application. However, the more of that kind of work I can continue to do at home, the less disruption would result to my principle research and teaching obligations.

Do you yourself contemplate any trips in this neighborhood in the near future?

Yours sincerely,

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Professor of Genetics

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